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ONE THOUSAND \$1,000
DOLLARS.
European Subscribers to the
Hongkong Telegraph are, from
1st October, 1895, insured for
the sum of \$1,000 against Fatal
Accident.
SEE BELOW.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorized Capital \$1,000,000
Subscribed Capital \$500,000

HEAD OFFICE: HONGKONG.

Court of Directors:
D. Gillies, Esq., Chairman
H. Stoller, Esq., Vice-Chairman
Chau Kit Shan, Esq., Secretary

Chief Manager, GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.
Hongkong, 29th October, 1895.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL \$1,000,000
SUBSCRIBED \$1,185,000
PAID-UP \$685,500

BANKERS:
LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT
ACCOUNTS at the Rate of 2 per cent.
per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON NEW FIXED DEPOSITS:—
For 12 Months.....4 per cent.
" 6 ".....3 1/2 " "
" 3 ".....3 " "
DEPOSITS RENEWED ON OLD TERMS.

JOHN THURBURN,
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 2nd August, 1895.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.

HEAD OFFICE: LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP \$800,000
RESERVE FUND \$395,000

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT
ACCOUNTS at the Rate of 2 per cent.
per annum on the Daily Balance.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months... 4 per cent.
" 6 ".....3 1/2 " "
" 3 ".....3 " "

T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 15th September, 1895.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND \$5,000,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS \$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:
I. KRAMER, Esq., Chairman.
A. McCONACHIE, Esq., Deputy Chairman.
Hon. J. J. Bell-Irving, Esq., S. C. Michaelson, Esq.,
G. B. Dowling, Esq., D. F. Sassoon, Esq.,
M. D. Ezekiel, Esq., N. A. Siebs, Esq.,
R. M. Gray, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER: T. JACKSON, Esq.

MANAGER: SHAUGHNESSY, Esq.

LONDON BANKERS: LONDON AND COUNTY BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG: INTEREST ALLOWED ON Current Account at the rate of 2 per Cent. per annum on the daily balance.

INTEREST ON FIXED DEPOSITS:
For 3 months, 2 1/2 per Cent. per annum.
For 6 months, 3 per Cent. per annum.
For 12 months, 3 1/2 per Cent. per annum.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st November, 1895.

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST ON DEPOSITS is allowed at 3 1/2 per Cent. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 per Cent. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st August, 1895.

Insurance.

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above Company are prepared to accept First Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at Current Rates.

SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, 28th May, 1895.

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED \$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at Current Rates on Goods, &c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.

CHAU TSEUNG FAT, Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE, No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST, Hongkong, 26th May, 1895.

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED).

CAPITAL \$1,000,000
TAXES \$313,333-33
RESERVE FUND \$318,000-00

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:
LEE SING, Esq., Chairman.
LOU TEO SHUN, Esq., Secretary.

MANAGER: HO AMEL.

MARINE RISKS ON GOODS, &c., taken at Current Rates to all parts of the World.

HEAD OFFICE, 5 & 7, PRINCE STREET, Hongkong, 17th December, 1895.

Intimations.

BELL'S ASBESTOS EASTERN AGENCY, LIMITED.
Sole Eastern Agents for
SPRINKLER GRAY ARMOURING HOSE.

Sole Eastern Agents for
THE NEW WIRE WOVE ROOFING CO.
THE ALUMINIUM & GENERAL FOUNDRY CO.



ASBESTOS PACKINGS of every description.
ASBESTOS SHEETS, MILLBOARDS, CANVAS, &c.
ASBESTOS COMPOSITION for COVERING BOILERS and STEAM PIPES.
CANVAS CORE PACKING (Tuck Form). SPECIAL ENGINE and CYLINDER OILS.
ASBESTOLINE, the most economical lubricant.
ALL GOODS BEARING TRADE MARK GUARANTEED.
W. JACKSON, Manager.
Hongkong, 26th September, 1895.

MEALS

MONTHLY RATES FOR	AT H.K. HOTEL
Breakfast	\$1.00
Dinner	1.50
Supper	1.00
ALL 3 MEALS	4.50

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR CARDS.

IN EVERY STYLE AND PRICE.
KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED.
Hongkong, 15th November, 1895.

JASTRAM'S PATENT PETROLEUM ENGINES

EXPLOSION IMPOSSIBLE.
GOLDEN MEDAL
OF 2 TO 12 H.P.
FOR FACTORIES AND LAUNCHES.
WORKED BY ORDINARY PETROLEUM.
Consumption of Petroleum 1 lb. per H.P. and Hour.
A Working Stationary Engine and a Launch with a 4 H.P.
Engine will be shown and full particulars be given on application.
SCHEELE & CO., HONGKONG,
SOLE AGENTS FOR THE EAST.
NO PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER REQUIRED.

MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL.

1,400 FEET ABOVE SEA LEVEL.
TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS, "EXETER," HONGKONG.
A. B. C. Code.
TELEPHONE, No. 35.
THE TEMPERATURE IS AT LEAST 10 DEGREES COOLER THAN IN QUEEN'S ROAD.
TIFFIN AT 1 P.M. DINNER AT 8 P.M.
ARRANGEMENTS can be made for TIFFIN or DINNER PARTIES in PRIVATE DINING-ROOMS.
For further Particulars apply to
THE MANAGER, MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL.
Hongkong, 27th July, 1895.

THE CLUB HOTEL.

5, BUND, YOKOHAMA.
FIRST-CLASS HOTELS, centrally situated, well-furnished, the Cuisine under the Supervision of approved French Chef has no equal. ENTIRE FOREIGN MANAGEMENT. Experienced English matron in attendance.
The Hotel steam-launch with European Agent attends arrivals and departures; every assistance given in clearing luggage and affording information. Passengers are met at the Railway Station.
VISITORS have the option of messing either in TOKYO or YOKOHAMA, without extra charge—THE ONLY HOTEL OFFERING SUCH AN ADVANTAGE. EUROPEAN HAIR DRESSER on the Premises.
Certified Guides are in attendance at both Hotels.
THE CLUB HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED, PROPRIETORS.
C. T. BENNEY, Manager, YOKOHAMA.
L. DEWETTE, Manager, TOKYO.

HOTEL METROPOLE.

1, TSUKIJI, YOKO.

Intimations.

ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS.

INSURE YOUR LIFE AGAINST FATAL ACCIDENT BY SUBSCRIBING TO "THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH."

THE SCOTTISH METROPOLITAN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY WILL PAY THE SUM OF \$1,000 MEXICAN.

to the legal representatives of the European holder of this COUPON in the event of his death by Accident while on land within the confines of HONGKONG or any Treaty Ports of CHINA or JAPAN, or the immediate neighbourhood thereof, provided that the Name and Address of the said holder appears in the List of European Subscribers to the

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH"

as furnished to the Company for the Three Months ending 31st December, 1895; that the premium thereon has been duly paid; that death takes place within One Month from the occurrence of the Accident, and that notice of death, with full particulars, is sent within fourteen days of its happening to Mr. J. Y. V. VERNON, Hongkong. It being declared that \$1,000 only will be paid in respect of any one death.

* This premium is paid quarterly in advance by the Proprietors of The Hongkong Telegraph.

J. Y. V. VERNON, AGENT.
Hongkong, 1st October, 1895.

THE HONGKONG BUTCHERY.

Not 11, 13 and 15 Central Market.

PRIME BEEF and MUTTON.
CORNED BEEF and TONGUES.
AUSTRALIAN PICKLED HOG'S TONGUES.
AMERICAN BUTTER in Rolls and Pats.
GAME, &c., &c., &c.

SHIPPING AND COAST PORT ORDERS WILL HAVE PROMPT ATTENTION.

J. TATAM,
Hongkong, 3rd December, 1895.

FOR SALE.

G. H. MUMM & Co's CHAMPAGNE.

In cases of 2 doz. plus \$35 per case.
do 1 " quart \$35 "

SHAW & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 13th May, 1895.

CHAMPAGNES.

PAUL DOMMER, 1889.
PAUL DOMMER, 1889.
IRROY "CARTE BLANCHE."
IRROY "CARTE D'OR," 1889.
PIPER HEIDSEICK, 1889.
LANSON, 1889 (Very Dry).

KRUG & Co., 1889.
BOLLINGER (Extra Quality).
LAURENT-FERRIER (Very Dry).
LOUIS RODERER.
POMMERY.
COCA TONIC CHAMPAGNE.

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co.
WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS.
15, QUEEN'S ROAD.
Hongkong, 2nd November, 1895.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the COMPANY will be held in the BOARD ROOM of the HONGKONG DISPENSARY on WEDNESDAY, the 14th day of December, 1895, at NOON, for the purpose of passing the following Special Resolution:—

"That the Articles of Association of the Company be altered by striking out 'Article 104 and substituting in lieu thereof a new Article 104 which shall read as follows:—

"If the said JOHN DAVID HUMPHREYS be deceased before the date of the meeting of the Board of Directors, the shares in respect of which the Call was made will be liable to forfeiture.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
JAMES B. DUNCAN, Secretary.

Hongkong, 30th November, 1895.

THE NEW BALMORAL MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIRST YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Office of the COMPANY, 1, Duddell Street, on SATURDAY, the 14th day of December, at 12 o'clock NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Manager and Statement of Account to the 30th June, 1895.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the COMPANY will be CLOSED from the 1st to 14th December, both days inclusive.

W. HUTTON POTTS, Secretary.
Hongkong, 30th November, 1895.

"KIM ENG ONG."

NARCISSEUS, OR CHINESE "SACRED LILY," BULB DEALERS, AMOY. (Established upwards 80 Years.)

IN view of the facts that certain ill-disposed Persons are inclined to IMITATE or USE our Firm's TRADE MARK or CHOP, notice is hereby given that any Person or Persons discovered using our said TRADE MARK or CHOP, will be vigorously prosecuted before competent Tribunals.

KIM ENG ONG.
Amoy, 2nd November, 1895.

THE IMPERIAL CHINESE TELEGRAPH ADMINISTRATION.

NOTICE.

TELEGRAMS for EUROPE and AMERICA are now forwarded (via HELAMP) WITHOUT DELAY. Rate per word to EUROPE (\$2.00) Two Dollars, to NEW YORK (\$2.30). Two Dollars and Thirty Cents. To other Stations in America, &c., rates may be ascertained on application.

WAN HAO, Manager.
Hongkong, 3rd December, 1895.

Amusements.

MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL.

Under the Distinguished Patronage of His Excellency Sir WILLIAM ROBINSON, K.C.M.G.

SATURDAY EVENING, 7th December, 1895, AT 8.30.

PROFESSOR C. J. WHITNEY, The well-known American READER, CHARACTER DEFINER and HUMORIST.

Will appear in SELECTIONS FROM POPULAR WRITERS OF THE DAY.

Programme will be announced later. TICKETS now on Sale at W. ROBINSON & Co's.

Special Trains to and from Peak. Hongkong, 2nd December, 1895.

Intimations.

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED AND REDUCED.

SPECIAL SUNDAY TRIP TO MACAO.

WEATHER PERMITTING, the "HEUNGSHAN" will leave HONGKONG for MACAO next SUNDAY, the 9th December, at 9 A.M. On the return journey, the "HONAM" will leave MACAO at 10 P.M.

There will be a RELIGIOUS PROCESSION in the Afternoon and in the Evening a THEATRICAL PERFORMANCE and CONCERT.

Return Fare, \$2. No Single or Second Class fares. Passengers have option of returning Second Class by "HEUNGSHAN" on Monday Morning or First Class on further payment of \$2. Chinese Servants, 50 Cents each way.

TICKETS obtained at the COMPANY'S OFFICE or on the Steamer before sailing.

T. ARNOLD, Secretary.
Hongkong, 4th December, 1895.

ENERGY SEES NEW CHANNELS.

The Editor of a Daily Paper in the Far East desires a change for the better.

Apply to E. D., c/o Hongkong Telegraph Office, Hongkong, 4th December 1895.

PRELIMINARY ADVERTISEMENT.

A NEWSPAPER WILL BE PUBLISHED VERY SOON, TO BE EDITED BY

HUMPHREYS CLOCK. JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, Hongkong, 27th November, 1895.

MESNYS CHINESE MISCELLANY.

A TEXT BOOK ON CHINA and the CHINESE. Published at SHANGHAI, in Weekly Numbers; First Number issued 20th September, 1895; Full Index will be issued, free to Subscribers, every Six Months.

PRICE OF MISCELLANY. One Year, 1 Copy \$20.00 Six Months, 1 Copy \$11.00 Postage to all Postal Union Countries \$3.00

N.B.—Subscribers who send Cash with Order before 31st December, 1895, will get the work at Half-price, i.e. 1 Copy, 1 Year, \$10; 1 Copy, 6 Months, \$5.10. Postage extra. Specimen Number, \$1.00, to any address in Postal Union for 50 Cents, or for 3d. (1/3) worth of Unused Post Stamps of any Country.

Orders may be sent through any Bookseller, or direct to

THE EDITOR, MESNYS CHINESE MISCELLANY, No. 2, The Band, Shanghai.

Shanghai, 22nd November, 1895.

JUST LANDED EX S.S. "TSINAN."

AUSTRALIAN PINE APPLE BRAND best HAMS at 45c. per lb.

AUSTRALIAN "BEST STEAKY BACON" at 45c. per lb.

AUSTRALIAN ICEBERG BRAND BUTTER at 62c. per lb.

SPECIAL QUOTATION FOR QUANTITIES. 5% Discount for Cash.

H. RUTTONJEE, Sole Agent for the above Brands, No. 18, D'Aguilar Street.

JUST LANDED FRENCH CONFECTIONERY.

Comprising:—Crystallized Fruits, Baked Almonds, Caramels, Almonds Fruits, Apricots, Marzipan Almonds, &c., &c., &c.

CADBURY'S CHOCOLATE CREAKS:—Vanilla Cakes, Honey Cakes, Caramels, Nougat Patisserie, Pineapple Chocolate, Chocolate Walnut, Plush Bags, Plush Boxes and Fancy Boxes, &c., &c., &c.

"TANIAN," the New Japanese Table-Water which contains 8 per cent. more iron carbonate than that from any other Chalybeate Spring.

FLETCHER & Co., "THE PHARMACY," 23, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 10th October, 1895.

MR. CHADWICK KEW.

(LATE OF FOOTE & NOBLE.)

Today's
Advertisements.CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.
FOR SHANGHAI.THE Steamship
"HOIHOW,"
will be despatched TO-MORROW, the 6th
instant, at Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 5th December, 1895. [1661]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THE Steamship
"DEVONHURST,"
Captain I. D. Rowe, will be despatched
TO-MORROW, the 6th instant, at Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 5th December, 1895. [1662]INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.THE Company's Steamship
"YUENSANG,"
Captain W. Waddilove, will be despatched
above on SATURDAY, the 7th instant, at 5 P.M.
This Steamer has Superior Accommodation
for First-class Passengers.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 5th December, 1895. [1663]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI.
(Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates
for NINGPO, CHEFOO, TIENTSIN, HANKOW
and PORTS on the YANGTZE.)
THE Company's Steamship"TEUCER,"
Captain Riley, will be despatched on SATUR-
DAY, the 7th instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 5th December, 1895. [1664]DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND POOCHOW.
THE Company's Steamship"NAHOA,"
Captain Hall, will be despatched for the above
Ports on SUNDAY, the 8th instant, at
Daylight.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LARRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 5th December, 1895. [1665]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.
THE Company's Steamship"JULYSS,"
Captain J. Barry, will be despatched as above
on THURSDAY, the 12th instant, at Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 5th December, 1895. [1666]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.
THE Company's Steamship"TELAMON,"
Captain T. Barry, will be despatched as above
on FRIDAY, the 13th instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 5th December, 1895. [1667]

"SHELL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG.
THE Company's Steamship"TROCAS,"
Captain F. C. Barry, will be despatched as above
on or about the 15th instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 5th December, 1895. [1668]

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE 100 A. J. British Ship
"BRODICK CASTLE,"
Ferguson, Master, will load here for the above
Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
SHEWAN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 5th December, 1895. [1669]

PUBLIC AUCTION

OF
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c.
The Undersigned has received instructions
to Sell by
PUBLIC AUCTION,
ON
SATURDAY, the 7th December, 1895,
commencing at 2.30 P.M.,
at his SALES ROOMS, DUNDRELL STREET,
(For Sunday Accounts),
A QUANTITY OF
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE,
Comprising—
UPHOLSTERED DRAWING-ROOM
FURNITURE, BEVELLED OVERMAN-
TELS, TABLES, WRITING DESKS, CARD-
TABLE, ORNAMENTS, FENDERS, CAR-
PETS, RUGS, CURTAINS, &c., &c.
SIDEBOARD with MIRROR BACK,
DINING TABLE and CHAIRS, DINNER
WAGGONS, ELECTRO-PLATE, GLASS and
CROCKERY WARE, &c., PANTRY REQUI-
SITES,
&c., &c., &c.
The MESS GEAR of the WARDROOM
MESS of H.M.S. "PIGMY," and SUNDRY
WINES and SPIRITS.
And at about 4.10 P.M.
A SMALL QUANTITY OF
JAPANESE WHITE PINK and RED
CAMELIAS, ROSE TREES and BULBS.
Catalogues issued prior to Sale. On View
from FRIDAY, the 6th December.
TERMS OF SALE.—As customary.
GEO. P. LAMBERT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 5th December, 1895. [1670]Today's
Advertisements.ZETLAND LODGE,
N. 525, E.C.AN EMERGENCY MEETING of the above
LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS'
HALL, Zetland Street, on SATURDAY, the 9th
instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m., precisely. Visiting
Brethren are cordially invited to attend.
Hongkong, 5th December, 1895. [1671]ST. JOHN'S LODGE
OF HONGKONG, No. 618, S.C.A REGULAR MEETING of the above
LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS'
HALL, Zetland Street, on THURSDAY, the 12th
instant, at 8 for 8.30 p.m., precisely. Visiting
Brethren are cordially invited to attend.
Hongkong, 5th December, 1895. [1672]TO LET.
DWELLING HOUSES—
HOUSES in RYON TERRACE,
OFFICES—
FIRST FLOOR No. 7, PRAVA
CENTRAL, lately occupied by
Messrs. HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Apply to
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT
& AGENCY Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 5th December, 1895. [1673]BROWN, JONES & CO.
DEALERS IN
ITALIAN AND AMERICAN MARBLE AND
HONGKONG GRANITE CEMETERY
MEMORIALS.LETTERS CUT AND FILLED WITH IMPERISHABLE
LEAD CEMENT.Intimations.
DAKIN, CRICKSHANK &
COMPANY, LIMITED,
VICTORIA DISPENSARY,
HONGKONG.AERATED WATERS.
SIMPLE AERATED WATER.
SODA WATER.
LEMONADE.
GINGER ALE.
SARSAPARILLA.
RASPBERRYADE, &c.DAKIN, CRICKSHANK & Co.'s WATERS are
made under the constant supervision of a duly
qualified English Chemist and will bear com-
parison with the best English Manufactures.
Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, MESSERS and
other Large Consumers.
Any complaints should be addressed to the
Manager.
Hongkong, 3rd May, 1895. [1674]THE
HONGKONG DISPENSARY
has just received FRESH SUPPLIES of
WHOLESOME
CONFECTIONERY
AND
DELICIOUS SWEETS,
of the HIGHEST QUALITY and PURITY.These include—
CADBURY'S SPECIAL CREMES
PATÉ D'ABRICOT, JORDAN ALMONDS
CARAMELS, PRALINES.DESSERT CHOCOLATE,
NOUGAT, FRUIT JELLIES,
CRYSTALLISED FRUITS,
METZ FRUITS,
ASSORTED TOFFEES,
MIXED BONBONS,
FRY'S CHOCOLATES,
TANGERINE BISCUITS,
ORANGE PASTIE, ORANGE ROLLS,
&c., &c., &c.Together with the Latest Novelties in
FANCY BOXES,
which are very suitable as Seasonable Presents
for LADIES and YOUNG PEOPLE.FRENCH
CONFECTIONERY and CONSERVES,
in Large Assortment,
from the BEST PARISIEN HOUVER.A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,
KATHLEEN A.D. 1841.
Hongkong, 3rd November, 1895. [1675]

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5, 1895.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

We understand that Sir FIELDING CLARKE,
Chief Justice of this colony, has accepted
the appointment of Chief Justice of
Jamaica. From one point of view this is
good news, while from another standpoint
it is the most unpleasant intelligence which
has been our duty to record for some time,
and we therefore make the announce-
ment with mixed feelings of pleasure
and regret—pleasure because we are
glad to hear the services of such an able,
courteous and painstaking official have
been recognised, and regret because we, in
common with all who have the pleasure of
Sir FIELDING's acquaintance, are sorry
to know that such a genial, hard-working
and useful member of our little community
will soon be leaving us, probably for
good. That his Lordship's transfer to
Jamaica is in the nature of a richly merited
promotion goes without the saying, but it
is none the less regrettable—and we
believe a very large number, probably all,
our readers are of like opinion—that we
should so soon lose the valuable
services of a Judge whose keen sense of
justice, whose wisdom, and whose pro-
found knowledge of the law may be
equalled by his successor, but can never
be excelled.As will be seen by a telegram published in
another column, Mr. JOSEPH CHAMBERLAIN
(Secretary of State for the Colonies) has
sent a despatch to all Colonial Governors
requesting a minute return of foreign
imports which have displaced British
goods, with the causes thereof. Also a
return of Colonial products suitable for
export to Great Britain, together with
details which may be useful to British
Importers. This, it seems to us, augurs
well for the future of British commerce
with the Far East, for it shows
beyond shadow of doubt that the
British Government has at last become
aware of the fact that our trade with
China has fallen off considerably in recent
years, that our Eastern commerce is
threatened with keener competition than
we have yet had to contend with, and that
it is a matter of paramount importance
that proper steps should at once be taken
to foster and protect the trade of the
pioneers of progress and civilization in Far
Cathay as well as in other markets where
British merchants find themselves
—though through no fault of their own, be
it noted—engaged in a desperate struggle
with all the odds in favour of their trade
rivals.One would have thought that Mr.
CHAMBERLAIN could have obtained a great
deal of useful information relating to the
Far East from the Imperial Maritime
Customs and Consular reports. Guber-
natorial reports and speeches would not
—if we are to judge by the latest sample
of such effusions—be of much service to
the Secretary of State, for there is a lack
of useful detail noticeable in most of them
which perhaps more or less unavoidable
in free-trade colonies, where, of course,
Customs returns are not available.It is conceivable, and doubtless probable,
that the Colonial Chambers of Commerce
will assist the various Governors to
prepare interesting, possibly useful, reports
on "the foreign imports which have
displaced or are displacing British goods,"
but we fear that the fact of the Government
allowing Mr. CHAMBERLAIN's action to
leak out will go far towards nullifying
the effects of his new policy. The cat
is now out of the bag, and our trade
rivals will in all probability be more
on their guard than heretofore. Of course
it is, metaphorically speaking, better
for the Government to look in this
year of grace into such matters than to
neglect them for ever, but at the same
time we fear that our prestige and trade
is bound to suffer seriously for some years
from the effects of Lord Rosebery's lack
of pluck and foresight when at the com-
mencement of the China-Japan war he invoked
in vain the co-operation of the Great
Powers to stop the war and hadn't the
courage to risk a war with Russia by
championing the cause of China and
saying to Japan—"thus far but no
further." Had he done so Japan would
have been set back for another half
century at least and the cotton goods
trade (import) with China which is threat-
ened with virtual extinction 20 years
hence would have been secured to John
Bull for many decades to come. But
we slumbered on, and now it is to be
feared that the "summer of our awakening"
will reveal a state of affairs the reverse of
creditable to British diplomacy or pleasant
for British merchants.

TELEGRAMS.

BETTER LATE THAN NEVER!
London, December 3rd.Mr. Chamberlain (Secretary of State for the
Colonies) has sent a despatch to all Colonial
Governors requesting a minute return of foreign
imports which have displaced or are displacing
British goods, with the causes thereof. Also a
return of Colonial products suitable for export
to Great Britain together with details which
may be useful to British Importers.GERMANY.
The Emperor William in his speech at the
opening of the Reichstag said that friendly
foreign relations confided that the efforts of
Germany, France and Russia to avert further
complications arising out of the war between
China and Japan had, thanks to the judicious
moderation of Japan, been successful and that
this happy result would contribute to preserve
and enlarge the field for peaceful labour and for
Germany's industry and trade.

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND'S MESSAGE.

President Cleveland in his message to
Congress says that the country will require
heroic treatment financially. He deprecates free
coinage under the guise of bimetallicism.(From L'Avenir du Tonkin.)
THE CROWN PRINCE OF AUSTRIA.
Paris, November 22nd.The Archduke Ferdinand d'Este, Crown Prince
of Austria, who has been dangerously ill, is now
better and will pass the winter in Egypt.MADAGASCAR.
Paris, November 24th.The new treaty of Antananarivo will be laid
before the Chamber during December; in the
meantime the Cabinet will consider the com-
pact clause.PARIS, November 28th.
M. Bartholot has informed the Chamber that
the Cabinet will modify the treaty of
Antananarivo.NEW CHINESE LEGATION.
Paris, November 25th.The Chinese Government have opened a
Legation in Paris. His Excellency King-chen-
g has been appointed Minister.OBITUARY.
Paris, November 25th.M. Bartholot, St. Hilaire is dead.
[M. St. Hilaire was of the old and more moderate
school of French politicians; for some years
he represented the Republic at the Court of St.
James.]PARIS, November 28th.
The death of Alexander Dumas is announced.Dumas, Alexandre, the younger, son of the
late M. Alexandre Dumas, novelist and
dramatic writer, was born in Paris, July 28,
1824, and received his education in the Collège
Bourbon. At the age of seventeen he
published a collection of poems, "Les
Péchés de jeunesse," a work of small literary
merit. He travelled with his father in
Spain and in Africa, and on his return wrote
"Les Aventures de Quatre Femmes et d'un
Perruquier," published in 1846-7. He may be
said to have belonged to the sensational school
of French literature. His principal work of fiction,
"La Dame aux Camélias," became one
of the best-known productions of the day. A
dramatic version was played in 1852, after
having been interdicted by M. Léon Faucher,
and, reproduced in Verdi's opera, "La Tra-
viata," created a still greater sensation.
M. Dumas, who has written many dramatic
pieces, is considered by the public the
greatest living dramatic exponent of the
demi-monde. A comedy from his pen,
entitled "Les Idées de Madame Aubray,"
was produced at Paris early in 1867.
His "Vieilles de Noces" and "La Princesse
Georges" were brought out at the Gymnase
Dramatique in 1871. In 1872 he published a
pamphlet entitled "L'Homme-Femme." It
repeated the thesis of his novel "L'Affaire
Clémenceau," and a dramatic version of it was
produced at the Gymnase, in 1873, under the
title of "La Femme de Claude," a play which
was brought out again at the Renaissance
Theatre by Madame Sarah Bernhardt in Sept.,
1894. M. Dumas' fine collection of pictures
was sold in 1892 for a sum exceeding half a
million francs. He was installed as a member
of the French Académie, Feb. 11, 1875, and
has been promoted to the rank of Comman-
der of the Legion of Honour. His drama,
"Joseph Balsano," based on his father's
romance of "Cagliostro," was represented for
the first time at the Odéon, March 18, 1878.
He published in 1880, "Les Femmes qui
ont été les Femmes qui ont été," in 1881, "La
Princesse de Bagdad," in 1885, "Denise,"
and in 1887, "Francillon."—*Men of the
Time.*FRANCE AND CHINA.
Paris, November 26th.The Chamber has unanimously voted extra
credits for the maintenance of additional consu-
lates in China.(From the *Stam Free Press*).
THE PANAMA CANAL SCANDAL.
Paris, November 18th.Dr. Arton has been arrested in London, and
when taken before a Magistrate he refused to
speak.[The Editor of the *Stam Free Press* in a
foot-note remarks on this news as follows:—
"Arton, it may be remembered, was implicated
in the Panama Scandal and fled to England.
He has been in London for many months in an
Eastbourne hotel, watched by a detective.
France has demanded his extradition, and if it
can be shown that his case comes within the
Extradition Treaty between France and
England he will be placed on his trial
before a Paris tribunal."—This is misleading, for
the reason that Arton only recently arrived in
London. Our Bangkok contemporary is
evidently thinking of the notorious Dr.
Cornelius Hertz, who "scooted" to England
shortly after the Panama bubble burst about
eight years ago. Arton's defalcations amount
to about £200,000. It will be recollected,
perhaps, that a huge sensation was created in
Hongkong in October last year owing to the
arrest of a M. Drexel and Comtesse de
Dongrois in Hongkong Hotel, the reason
for the arrests being the belief that the
Consul for France that M. Drexel was the
long lost Arton. M. Drexel and the fair
Comtesse were locked up, but as soon as the
blunder was discovered they were released,
after "the Court" had apologised. M. Drexel
and the Comtesse left Hongkong bound for
Tonkin, and since then we've heard nothing
further about the happy couple.—*Ed. H.K.T.*]INDO-CHINA AFFAIRS.
Paris, November 18th.The Governor-General of Indo-China has had
a long interview with Colonel Archinard on the
subject of Indo-China.(Special to *Stam Observer*).
THE TURKISH IMBROGLIO.
London, November 20th.Lord Salisbury, speaking yesterday at a great
meeting in Brighton, read a message which he
had received from the Sultan of Turkey,
expressing pain at the tone of Lord Salisbury's
recent speech at the Guildhall, when the
Premier cast doubt upon the probability of
the reforms in Armenia being carried out. The
Sultan, in his message, pledged his word
of honour that the reforms shall be executed,
and that he will personally see to their
being carried out. He concludes with a hope
that Lord Salisbury will publicly announce this.
Lord Salisbury, commenting on the message,
emphasized the concern now existing among the
Powers, and regretted the absence of competent
men around the Sultan, courageous enough to
honestly advise him. More decrees, he added,
could never supply the place of competent
governors in the country.(From Japanese Papers.)
THE CHINESE LOAN.

TOKYO, November 27th.

According to a telegram which has reached
the Yokohama Specie Bank, efforts are being
made by which Great Britain and Germany will
combine to guarantee the next Chinese foreign
loan. In order to prevent the domination that
would otherwise be exercised over China by
Russia and France.

THE RETROCESSION OF LIAO-TUNG.

TOKYO, November 27th.

Rear Admiral Taubol has been appointed
Japanese Commissioner to carry out the arrange-
ments for the retrocession of the Liaotung
peninsula.KOREAN AFFAIRS.
SEOUL, November 27th.The Tal Wan Kun still remains in the Palace.
Mr. Li Shokai, ex-Vice-Minister for Foreign
Affairs, was arrested this morning.The King has exonerated the officers of the
Shin-tai, the Royal Bodyguard, from all blame
in connection with the recent massacre in the
Palace.His Majesty invited the foreign representative
to his Palace on the 26th inst., and informed
them of the prospective changes in the Ministry
and other reforms in contemplation. The
foreign Ministers are said to have expressed
their satisfaction.The King has ordered the arrest of all
Koreans alleged to be responsible for the *murder*
in which the Queen was killed. It is believed
that the arrest of Li Shokai, ex-Vice Minister
for Foreign Affairs, is connected with this grave
affair.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A full report of the meeting of the Legislative
Council will be given in our next issue.A REGULAR meeting of St. John's Lodge, No. 618
S.C., will be held in the Freemasons' Hall, Zetland
Street, on Thursday, the 12th instant, at 8 for
8.30 p.m., precisely. Visiting brethren are
cordially invited.A NUMBER of Osaka merchants have applied
for Government permission to establish a
company for the manufacture of brushes, with a
capital of 60,000 *yen*. Their principal business
will be the exportation of the goods manu-
factured.THE project of Mexican emigration, undertaken
by the Colonization Association of Tokio, is
reported to have matured. It is stated that Mr.
Ono Kanemoto, formerly of the Hokkaido
Administration Board, will be dispatched to
Mexico as special agent.We would remind our readers of the entertain-
ment to be given on Saturday night at Mount
Austin Hotel by Professor Whitney, a popular
American elocutionist. This promises to be
most enjoyable, and as tickets are being taken
rapidly, those intending to be present should
lose no time in securing seats.A CARPENTER living at 20 Bond Street, was
taken ill and sent to the Tung Wah hospital on
Sunday, and this morning his disease was found
to be plague. As a consequence he was today
removed to the Kennedy-town hospital, while the
other inmates of the house were detained by the
police. They all left for Canton to-night in
preference to going to the marriage-boats.MR. BARRETT, U. S. Minister Resident in
Siam, as the result of the publication of his
recent able report to the Portland Chamber of
Commerce, has, according to the *Bangkok
Times*, received a "call" from the *Chicago
Times-Herald* for an extended review of the
commercial situation in Siam and Asiatic
countries generally, particularly with regard to
opportunities for opening up markets for Chicago
and central states exporters.THE *Paris Temps*, in a recent inspired article
on Japan, says:—"In consequence of our
action in joining hands with Russia in coercing
Japan to give up the Liaotung Peninsula, we
need not expect much favour from Japan in
future. This business-like little country will
henceforth probably and principally connect itself
with America and Great Britain, and will form a
commercial combination which may ultimately
lead up to serious inconveniences for ourselves."—Jesse, but the French have themselves to
blame for, blindly following the lead of the
enterprising Tsar.BRET HARTE displayed a deep insight into
the character of some classes of Chinese
when he penned the immortal lines which
serve as an introduction to his epic
on the game of anchor which resulted
in the discomfort of one Ah Sit. Some
late cases at the Magistracy go far to prove
the truth of the dictum. Yesterday we
chronicled the alteration of \$5 and \$10 notes into
\$50 notes. To-day we have to report the smart
capture, by Detective Quincey, of a Celestial
who has a very clever method of swindling.This individual, who is named Lee Chuen, has a
nest-plot. He enters a money-changer's shop and
asks for \$10 worth of 20 cent pieces. Getting
this, he asks for one dollar's worth of cent pieces
which necessitates the dealer looking under the
counter. Upon these being produced, he lifts up
a heavy percentage on the 20 cent pieces, and
is of course refused. He gets into a dispute
and ultimately returns the small silver. But in
the meantime, while the assistant is engaged
under the table in getting out the cent pieces,
he has exchanged the roll on the table for one
done up in the same way, containing strips
half-cent pieces. Getting back his ten dollar
note, he leaves the shop better off by \$10 in small
silver, and, as the money-changer suspects no
trick it is not for two or three days that the thief
is discovered. No less than twelve money-
changers have been caught in this way, and
the man has well earned the three months'
term in Victoria Gaol which was inflicted by the
Police Magistrate this morning.An emergency meeting of Zetland Lodge, No.
525, E.C., will be held in the Freemasons' Hall,
Zetland Street, on Monday, the 9th instant, at
8.30 for 9 p.m., precisely. Visiting brethren are
cordially invited.ACCORDING to recent French papers the chance
of a successor to M. Roussieu (Governor-
General of Indo-China) lies between M. Thomson,
who represents the constituency of Constantine
in the Lower House, and M. Chanteleux, who at
present holds the Colonial portfolio in the
Bourgeois Cabinet.It is reported in Chinese commercial circles
that the December opium sales took place in
Calcutta a couple of days ago, when old Patna
fetched Rs 1420, new Patna Rs 1422 and new
Benares 1366 rupees per chest. At the November
sales old Patna was in good demand at 1492
rupees, while new Benares found buyers at 1489
rupees per chest."VIDEO" writing in a Tonkin contemporary
intimates that the English in Hongkong, urged
on by the Gallophile press of the colony, are
backing the Chinese in their commercial in-
vasion of Tonkin, which has become the property
of France at the cost of the blood of her sons,
and now the commercial benefits of the country
are being wrung by reason of the "Yellow
Invasion." Next, please!THE German steamer *Donar*, 1,015 tons burden,
was seized yesterday under a warrant issued by
the Supreme Court, to secure payment of the
sum of \$9,000 in a suit which has been brought
by the owner of the steamer *Kongka*, to recover
damages for a collision which occurred on the
Menam last month. The *Donar* arrived
from Bangkok on the 3rd instant. Messrs.
Lau, Wagener & Co. are agents for the
owners, and Messrs. Butterfield & Swire for the
charterers.We read in *L'Avenir du Tonkin* that in conse-
quence of continued ravages of the bands of
pirates with which Tonkin is infested affairs are
assuming a serious aspect. The repressive
measures which the civil authorities have
adopted have been singularly inadequate. It
has now become necessary to take precautions
for the safety of the railways, and troops are
being concentrated for that purpose. A kind of
guerrilla warfare is being carried on in which
the advantages which these desperadoes possess
through their intimate knowledge of the country
stands them in good stead.A CRICKET MATCH, the World v. Scotland, will
be played on the Cricket Ground to-morrow and
on Saturday, commencing to-morrow at 2
p.m. The following will play for the World:—
Sergeant-Major Reade. Captain Eccles.
Rev. S. R. Vallage. Mr. C. W. Knox, R.B.
Mr. G. Paley, R.B. Mr. L. Sanderson, R.B.
Mr. G. Davies, R.A. Mr. S. L. Darby.
Mr. C. M. Firsh. Mr. E. C. Ellis.
Mr. H. R. Hancock.By the courtesy of Major Fairbairn and officers,
the Band of the H. K. R. will attend on Friday
afternoon, and by the courtesy of Col. St. Paul
and officers the band of the Rifle Brigade will
play on the ground on Saturday.WITH the development of commerce, the system
of credit is rapidly improving in Japan, says the
Yokohama Mail in a recent issue. Speaking
on the subject at a recent Bankers' *réunion* in
Tokio the other day, Mr. Yamamoto Tatsuo, of
the Bank of Japan, expressed surprise at the
wonderful increase during the past few years
in the amount of credit bills and notes
used in business transactions in the
capital. The total of the bills and
notes discounted at the Clearing House in
1891, the first year of the institution's operation,
was 105,000,000 *yen*. It increased gradually
until the amount reached 282,000,000 *yen* in
1894. There are a large number of banks that
have not yet joined the Clearing House, and
have their bills exchanged at the Bank of Japan.
The average daily amount of bills thus treated
at the Bank during the month of October was
110,570 *yen* in 1893, 180,000 *yen* in 1894, and
310,000 *yen* in 1895.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Legislative Council was
held this afternoon. There were present—
His Excellency the Governor, Sir William
Robinson, K.C.M.G., Hon. J. H. Stewart
Lockhart (Colonial Secretary), Hon. W. M.
Goodman (Attorney General), Hon. F. A. Cooper
(Director of Public Works), Capt. W. C. H.
Hastings, R.N., (Acting Captain Superintendent
of Police), Hon. A. M. Thomson (Acting Colonial
Treasurer), Hon. R. M. Ramsey, R.N. (Harbour
Master), Hon. C. P. Chater, Hon. T. H.
Whitehead, Hon. A. Macdonald, Hon. E. R.
Bellios, C.M.G., and Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, unofficial
members, and Mr. J. G. T. Buckle, Acting Clerk
of Councils.NEW MEMBER.
Hon. W. C. H. Hastings, Acting Captain
Superintendent of Police, took the oath and his
seat as a member of the Council, *vice* Hon. F. H.
May absent on leave.MINUTES.
The minutes of the last meeting were read
and confirmed.THE MILITARY MULET.
Mr. Chater having had the Governor's permis-
sion to dispense with the usual notice, asked:—
Will the Government lay on the table copies
of all the correspondence that has passed
between the Government of Hongkong and the
Colonial Office on the subject of the Military
Contribution since the receipt here of the
Marquis of Ripon's despatch on that subject on
the 27th June 1895?

The correspondence was laid upon the table.

NEW QUESTION.
Mr. Bellios gave notice that at the next
meeting he would ask:—
(1) Will the Government be good enough to say
why, experiments having shown the practicability
of such a course, steps are not taken to pump

up sea-water to the higher levels with which to wash out the drains?

He was interrupted in this question by the Hon. Colonial Secretary, on a point of order, in which he was sustained. The question was recorded as above.

THE JUBILEE STATUE.

Q.—Will the Government kindly inform the Council of the progress of the erection of the Jubilee statue of Her Majesty the Queen, in the case of any insuperable obstacle in the erection of this statue which has now for several years been intended in a golden instead of being placed in the position for which it was intended?

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

The Hon. Colonial Secretary laid upon the table the report of the Financial Committee.

The Hon. Director of Public Works laid upon the table the report of the Public Works Committee.

Mr. Whitehead asked the cost of the buildings he entered in detail in the report.

The Director of Public Works said they were so entered in the completed report.

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS.

Mr. Whitehead then asked the questions he gave notice of at the last meeting, which were answered as follows:—

A.—As the matter to which the question refers is still under the consideration of the Secretary of State, nothing definite having been decided with regard to it, it would be premature to lay on the table any portion of the correspondence which has taken place on the subject.

A.—The question of the construction of a new road at the Peak from Victoria Gap is receiving attention, and plans and sections have been prepared by the Director of Public Works. When the Government has received his report and a decision will be made, and an answer will be sent to the petition on this subject.

A.—(1) No. the houses were built on Inland Lots 1129-1132.

(2) Yes. In Mr. Moses for \$2,600, on a 999 years' lease, the Crown Rent payable being \$100 a year.

(3) The Government is unable to see what useful public purpose would be served by laying the correspondence asked for on the table.

A.—There have been seven convictions under the Ordinance referred to: the fines imposed and paid since the Ordinance came into force amount to \$2,000.

There appears to be no reason of a public nature for publishing the correspondence which has passed on this subject. The Ordinance has been confirmed.

Question No. 5 was withdrawn.

Q.—Will the Government lay upon the table a copy of the despatch from the Secretary of State to the Colonies sanctioning the pension to be paid to the Hon. Mr. Justice Acland on his retirement from the service?

In answer the following despatch was laid before the Council:—

Downing Street,
20th August, 1895.

SIR.—With reference to previous correspondence on the subject of the rate at which Mr. Justice Acland should be allowed to draw his pension, I transmit to you the enclosed copies of correspondence from which you will perceive that I have thought it better to concede the point which he contended for.

I am aware that my predecessor had only arrived at a contrary conclusion after much doubt and deliberation; but whilst I recognise the force of the arguments which found much weight with him, I have thought that as there was a doubt, and as the matter, through some oversight, was not made clear to Mr. Justice Acland at the time of his appointment, it was preferable on grounds of public policy to lean to the more generous view.

The pension will amount to two-thirds of \$8,400, or, in other words, to \$5,600, which, at the exchange rate of 4/3d. to the dollar, will be equal to £1,166 13/4 a year.

The Crown Agents have been instructed to pay Mr. Acland at this rate from Hongkong funds pending a reference to the Mauritius Government, and the verification of the sums which that Colony should contribute towards his total pension. The payment will then be adjusted between the two Colonies.

I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your most obedient, humble servant,

J. CHAMBERLAIN,
Governor, Sir William Robinson, K.C.M.G., &c., &c., &c.

OTHER IMPORTANT QUESTIONS.

Q.—Will the Government inform the Council on whose recommendation Mr. Matthews was requested to visit Hongkong, inspect professionally the Gap Rock Light-house, and state the cost of his report?

A.—Mr. Matthews, who happened to be on professional visit to Ceylon, was requested to come to Hongkong by the Governor. The cost of his report is not yet known.

Q.—Will the Government inform the Council as to the conditions on which the Golf Club have been granted authority to build the Club House at the west end of the Wong Nei Chong valley, and the terms of the lease, if there is one?

A.—The following are the conditions on which the Golf Club have been granted authority to build the Club House at the west end of the Wong Nei Chong valley:—

(a) Term of lease 25 years.

(b) Annual Crown Rent \$100.

(c) The exact area and position to be approved by the Wong Nei Chong Committee and the Director of Public Works.

(d) That the ground be used only for the purposes of a Golf Club at any time cease to use it as such, the land, buildings and all improvements thereon revert unconditionally to the Crown.

Q.—Will the Government inform the Council whether it is proposed to proceed with the construction of the much needed and desirable new road between Plantation Road Station and Magazine Gap, the probable cost; if the work is not to be proceeded with at present, what causes the delay, and when will the work be taken in hand?

A.—It is not intended at any rate for the present, to proceed with the road in question. The probable cost is estimated at about \$13,000. The work is not to be proceeded with at present because there are no funds available. It is not possible to state when the work will be taken in hand.

A.—Will the Government lay upon the table a statement showing the total cost of the administration, &c. the expenditure of the Government and of the Council, including Exchange Commission, &c., for the years 1892-1893, 1894 and 1895 respectively.

The following answer was laid before the Council:—

PERSONAL EXHIBITIONS, PENSIONS, &c., FOR THE YEARS 1892, 1893 and 1894.

	1892	1893	1894
Average Exchange	1/10 1/2	1/10 1/2	1/10 1/2
Average Exchange	1/10 1/2	1/10 1/2	1/10 1/2
Average Exchange	1/10 1/2	1/10 1/2	1/10 1/2

The figures for 1895 cannot be ascertained as the accounts for the year cannot yet be closed.

A. M. THOMSON,
Acting Treasurer.

When the fifth question was reached, Hon. Mr. Whitehead said:—Having received your Excellency's permission, I beg to withdraw this question.

The Colonial Secretary: I rise to a point of order. The answer to this question has already been printed, and so far as I know the Council has had no notice of it being withdrawn. This, I think, is a slight error.

His Excellency:—I have allowed the Honourable member to believe I would permit him to withdraw the question, and I will keep my word and allow the question to be withdrawn. The question has been withdrawn out of regard to the feelings of an esteemed citizen, Mr. Francis, who has been lying sick to the point of death, and who during his convalescence has expressed a wish that the matter might be allowed to drop. I must say that some of the questions sometimes asked by the Honourable member are of no utility to either the community in general or the Chamber of Commerce, and might better not be asked. The question is withdrawn.

The Colonial Secretary stated that he did not know the reason for the withdrawal of the question, and again called attention to the discourtesy to the Council.

Hon. Mr. Whitehead apologized to the Council and the Clerk of Councils, for his omission with regard to giving due notice. He stated that he was many times asked by a large number of persons in the community to ask certain questions, and that they were always of importance to them.

HONOUR TO WHOM HONOUR IS DUE.

At the conclusion of the questions and answers.

The Hon. T. H. Whitehead gave notice that he will move at the next meeting the following resolution:—

That His Honour Mr. Justice E. J. Acland, recently retired after 47 years of true and faithful work in the Colonial service, of which he served in Hongkong for 14 years as Registrar of the Supreme Court, Palace Judge, and Acting Chief Justice, rendered very many and most valuable services to the Colony, outside and in addition to the duties of the various offices held by him, that from 1874 to 1880 he was a member of the Commission for the Revision of the Laws of the Colony; he was on the Law Commission, the Board for adjusting the claims of the settlers; on the Commissions of Enquiry into the defalcations in the Post Office, and in the Treasury; on the enquiry into the working of the Emigration Laws; and on the enquiry into the difficulties in 1891 which arose between the Opium Farmer and the Government. He rendered services of great value as Chairman of the Enquiry into the expenditure and the cost of the administration, and as Chairman of the Committee appointed to enquire into the Resumption of the Tsimshian district he carried out a most difficult, arduous, and delicate work with promptitude, impartiality, and to the entire satisfaction of the Government and the claimants. The Council desire to tender to the Honourable Mr. Justice Acland their hearty thanks for all his labours, ever ready and cheerfully rendered, and for his devotion to promoting the welfare and the interests of the Colony, and to wish him every health and happiness, as well as a continued career of usefulness.

Following bills were read a first time:—

A Bill entitled "An Ordinance to amend the Law as to certain Moneys paid into the Supreme Court or to the Registrar thereof."

A Bill entitled "An Ordinance to further amend 'The Stamp Ordinance, 1886.'"

SECOND READINGS.

The following bills were read a second time, considered in committee, and passed to third reading:—

The Bill entitled "An Ordinance to apply a sum not exceeding two millions four hundred and seventy-nine thousand and sixty-two Dollars to the Public Service of the year 1895."

The Bill entitled "An Ordinance to amend the Widows and Orphans' Pensions Ordinances of 1890 and 1891 (Nos. 30 of 1890 and 18 of 1891)."

The Bill entitled "An Ordinance to provide for the recognition in the Colony of Probates and Letters of Administration granted in British Possessions," was, on the motion of the Hon. Attorney General, read a third time and passed finally.

The same case was followed in the case of the Bill entitled "An Ordinance to further amend 'The Bankruptcy Ordinance, 1891.'"

This after consideration in committee, was read a third time and passed.

In considering the Bill entitled "An Ordinance to further amend 'The Cattle Diseases, Slaughtering, and Markets Ordinance, 1887.'"

The Hon. Colonial Secretary, in seconding the second reading, said he hoped it might be finally passed to-day considering the closeness to Christmas and the danger of bad weather being supplied. After consideration in committee, this bill also read a third time and passed.

ADJOURNMENT.

The Council then adjourned till Thursday, 12th December at 3.30 p.m.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

The Finance Committee considered the Appropriation Bill. When the item for Military Contribution was reached:—

Hon. C. P. Chater asked that the consideration of this item be postponed until the unofficial members could decide upon the course to pursue. He explained that of course they would all vote against it, but they did not know what further steps it would be advisable to take.

The Colonial Secretary stated that the Governor had no wish to hurry matters, but that, as it was necessary to send the estimates home as soon as possible, the delay could not extend over the next meeting. Upon the understanding that the matter was not to be longer delayed, he thought an adjournment until Thursday next at 2.45 p.m. might be agreed to.

After considering the remaining items of the bill, the Committee adjourned until next Thursday at 2.45 p.m.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

SHANGHAI AND NORTH CHINA.

From our northern exchanges received yesterday we take the following items:—

The steamers *Leiyuan*, *Fungshan* and *Hsin-fung* have lately been engaged in carrying troops from Tientsin to the river ports on their last trip carrying over 3,500 men between them.

The Viceroy Chang Chih-ling has ordered a civil official named Yen Mo-so and a military officer, Tso Lin-to proceed with a quantity of powder to Kanush to replenish General Tse's stores in his campaign against the Mahommedans.

A Chinese man-of-war with several steam launchers and junks is now busily engaged in hunting for the opium boats which were in the North Channel during the war, and which had probably been forgotten ever since.

Work on the wreck of the *Blackball*, below Woosung, was resumed by Messrs. Boyd and Co. on the 24th ult. They have an exceedingly difficult task before them, and if they succeed in raising the wreck they will be entitled to the maximum of credit, not to mention handsome remuneration of a more substantial kind.

It is reported from Tientsin that ten camps of cavalry and foot under General Wei have been despatched to Kanush during the past fortnight. The Manchu General, Kuang-shih, according to current report, will proceed shortly from Peking to Kanush with a fresh army.

According to the Shanghai native papers Shen Hwan, director of the Railway Bureau, is given as "Pa she loo" in Chinese, or his survey of the proposed railway from Woosung to Shanghai, hence to Soochow, Chinkiang and Ningbo as well as the southern branch to Hangchow.

According to despatches from Peking, the Censor Shin Wuchieh who had previously filled on several occasions the post of Superintendent of the military and provincial examinations at Peking, presented on the 13th ult. a memorial to the Throne ridiculing the idea of still continuing the examination of military students and graduates in archery.

"Which is now obsolete, out of date, and a curse to the country." The memorialist proposes to substitute rifle and carbine examinations on foot and horseback, and in time add technical examinations. The matter has been referred to the Board of War.

The Japanese troops are beginning to draw southwards from Newchwang and the evacuation of the Liaoning Peninsula has assumed a more demonstrative character. Already all surplus provisions, etc., have been brought in to Newchwang and reshipped; the troops have left Hsichung and Newchwang and are proceeding to the march to Taitsewan.

The Japanese transports are also gradually carrying off officials and coolies. It seems as though the wish were to leave the country without any one knowing it.

On the morning of the 30th ult., a butcher in Shanghai was arrested while trying to pass a cow suffering from rinderpest into the abattoir. Were it not for the cattle sheds, wherein cattle must remain for twenty-four hours before being slaughtered, this annual mischief would have been dispensed for.

From Newchwang it is learned that trade is much delayed by bands of Chinese soldiers who levy blackmail on all boats coming into the port. Owing to the disturbed state of affairs this has been quite possible, and resistance has been useless. The Chinese as well as Foreign residents of that northern port feel easier with H.M.S. *Rattler* docked for the winter, as otherwise, when the Japanese leave it was feared a reign of terror, without law or magistrates, would have ensued.

JAPAN.

From our Japanese exchanges we take the following items of interest:—

On the 21st ult. the Russian warship *Admiral Koryoloff* and two torpedo-boats, arrived at Yokohama and anchored off Moji. They were said to be calling there.

There were two Russians on board the S.S. *Tokio Maru* which arrived at Shimoda from Vladivostok on the 19th. A native paper learns that they state that the object of their visit was to visit the springs at Arima.

The Japanese Department of Communication has decided to connect the principal towns of Japan by means of the telephone. The cost of this is estimated at ¥12,000,000, and the matter is to be placed before the Diet during next session.

Information has been received that the Nagasaki local authorities at Fukuoka-mura have prohibited cattle being brought to or taken from that village until further notice in consequence of the prevalence of rinderpest there.

The total number of soldiers who are to go back to Japan from Formosa is 12,452, as well as about 935 horses.

The late Queen of Korea has been restored to her previous rank and dignity, and the Court has gone into mourning for her. The *Saiting* List adds:—"With a majority 1."

Since the outbreak of the late war all the officers and officials in the army and navy have been receiving additional pay equal to one-fifth of the amount of their regular pay. The subjugation of Formosa being now completed, the additional salaries are to be stopped at the end of last month.

It comes from Gossan of the arrest of two Russians wearing Russian clothes. On being arrested by the Korean police they confessed that they were deserters from the Russian army. They were sent to Vladivostok.

A Hiroshima telegram to the *Kohkoku* announces that Mr. Hirayama Iwahiko, one of the defendants in the Seoul case, was released on bail on November 20th. There is said to be good reason for supposing that all the defendants will be acquitted on the preliminary examination, though a long time must elapse before it is completed.

Still another steamer has been purchased by the Japanese. It is learned that the German steamer *Stigmund* has been sold by Messrs. Sennett & Co., acting for Messrs. Olsen & Co., of Shanghai, to the Tokyo Senso Goshi Kaisha, for £11,000. The steamer is now running on the China coast, and will be delivered about a month hence. She is of 740 tons, and was built at Kiel in 1890-91.

The Japanese Government has decided to construct light-houses at the following points between Satsuma and Formosa:—Tsuriki, Kio, Sakai, Ueharashi, Petao promontory (Formosa) and Pooske (Formosa). It is believed that these works will be carried out by the Formosa Department.

As a result of the revised Treaties the Japanese Government has to reorganize the Customs tariff, and a bill for amendment of the duties is expected to be introduced in the coming session of the Diet. When this bill is introduced the import duties are increased steps will be taken gradually to abolish export duties. Such is the substance of a Tokio telegram to an Osaka paper.

Harada Jukichi, a soldier of the 18th Regiment in the 3rd or Nagoya Division, who obtained a good reputation during the late war, on account of his having the Gemba gate into Ping-yang, by opening the Gemba gate there, has been decorated with the 7th Order of the Medal of the Golden Kite and given a life pension of 1000 yen per annum.

A despatch from Vladivostok published by the *Novoye Vremya* states that the steamer *Casharowich*, belonging to the Russian Volunteer Fleet, has passed through the Straits of Sushan, being the first merchant vessel that ever navigated that channel. This, adds the telegram, proves that steamers drawing 10 ft. of water are able to proceed through the Straits—a fact of great importance to navigation.

Kyoto's Electric Tramway does not appear to be an unqualified blessing, as between March 1st and November 1st 5 persons have been killed and 37 have been rather seriously injured by the cars. In addition, 3 *fiarths* have been wrecked, and 1 horse and 1 dog killed.

It is said that simultaneously with the completion of the Siberian Railway, the Russian Government intends running steamers from Vladivostok to Japan, China, Australia and America. The service to Japan and China is stated to be already under consideration.

On the 28th, a meeting was held at the office of the local Commercial Board, Nagasaki, with respect to the dredging of the harbour. Many matters were discussed, and it was decided to make a close examination of the port for the past five years, in order to form an idea as to whether the scheme would pay or not.

On the 28th inst. fourteen Japanese women were found stowed away on board of the steamer *Taiyoh*, leaving Nagasaki for Vladivostok. They were arrested.

From Nagasaki we learn that, despite the heavy rain, a water-famine is now experienced there. The water has been shut off altogether until rain falls.

THE FRANCO-JAPANESE TREATY.

AN IMPORTANT HITCH IN THE NEGOTIATIONS.

Kobe, November 28th.

It is stated in the Japanese papers that the negotiations in connection with the Franco-Japanese Treaty are making good progress—a statement that may mean much or little according to what has preceded the present stage.

The protracted negotiations may be taken as a statement of a statement which appeared in our columns some weeks ago, that the points involved in the proposed treaty were receiving very close attention at the hands of French jurists, who had the assistance of M. de Sienkiewicz, late Minister for France to Japan, in dealing with the matters at issue.

We understand that one of the points which has evoked the keenest discussion is the question of the ceding of land in Japan by French citizens.

The revised Treaties already published, as is well known, simply provide for the leasing of land by foreigners, while in the present treaty the representatives of France in the negotiations claim that as France permits the holding of landed property by aliens, a reciprocal treaty with Japan should contain a similar concession to French citizens. If such a stand has been made, it is difficult to see how the Japanese representatives can effectually oppose such a condition. Japan is naturally eager to bring the Powers into line on the question of Treaty Rights, as until this is done the most favoured-nation clause operates to nullify the treaties that have already been signed, but it is difficult to believe that she will give way on a point that is considered of so much importance to the national welfare.

In a speech delivered in London some weeks ago, the Japanese Consul General averred that though the new Treaty signed with Great Britain did not give Englishmen the right of owning land, yet for fifty years could be obtained, and there would be no difficulty in renewing these.

The Consul-General was labouring under a misconception, at least so far as the practice in Kobe is concerned. Theoretically a lease for fifty years can be made; practically it is not possible to obtain such a lease. If a Japanese drafts a lease by which his land is let to a foreigner for fifty years, he and the foreigner will find when it comes to be presented at the Keicho for registration that the strongest objection will be taken to it. A Japanese always finds it difficult to assert himself against officials, and also cases out of ten the landowner will give way, and tell the foreigner that he has changed his mind and cannot make a lease for longer than twenty-five years. The late Mr. Creagh, when acting as a solicitor at this port, on one occasion forced through a fifty-years lease for a client by sheer obstinacy and determination, holding the Japanese landowner to his compact, and insisting that the Keicho should register a lease that fulfilled the terms of the law.

It is evident that in few cases would such a policy prove successful, and as a matter of fact we have seen since the occasion referred to no lease for fifty years has been successful in obtaining registration at the hands of the local authorities. The point, as will be seen, is of very great importance. When the provisions of the new Anglo-Japanese Treaty were being discussed by the plenipotentiaries for Great Britain and Japan, it is not by means impossible that the belief as to leases for fifty years being obtainable may have been the basis of the policy.

Influenced Great Britain to give way on the question of the actual owning of land by British subjects, for it is clear that if the longest lease that can be made is for twenty-five years many of the other provisions of the Treaty are thereby rendered inoperative. The second clause in the third article of the Anglo-Japanese Treaty reads:—

"The subjects of each of the High Contracting Parties may trade in any part of the dominions and possessions of the other in all kinds of produce, manufactures, and articles of commerce, and may acquire real property, singly or in partnership with foreigners or native subjects; and they may own or lease or occupy the houses, manufactories, workshops, and warehouses of commerce, manufactures, and dwellings for residential and commercial purposes, and may acquire real property, singly or in partnership with foreigners or native subjects; and they may own or lease or occupy the houses, manufactories, workshops, and warehouses of commerce, manufactures, and dwellings for residential and commercial purposes, and may acquire real property, singly or in partnership with foreigners or native subjects; and they may own or lease or occupy the houses, manufactories, workshops, and warehouses of commerce, manufactures, and dwellings for residential and commercial purposes, and may acquire real property, singly or in partnership with foreigners or native subjects; 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Hongkong, 12th November, 1895. [1223]

SCOTTISH ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

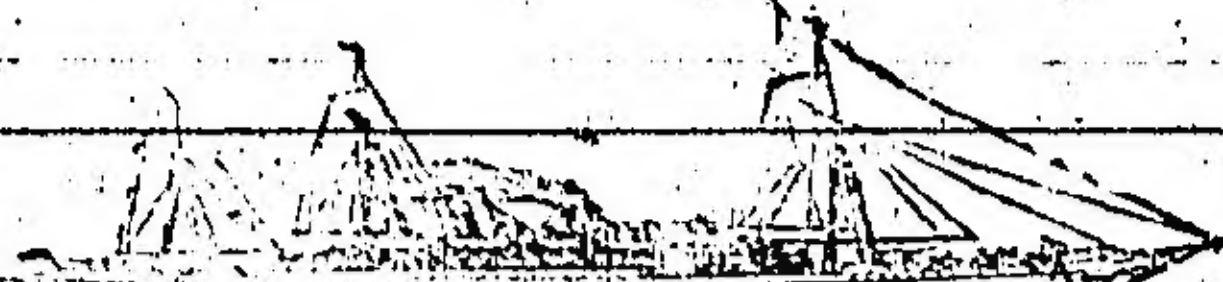
THE Steamship
"TAICHOW."
Captain Curtis, will be despatched on
TUESDAY, the 10th instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 3rd December, 1895. [1682]

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.
FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.
(To follow the Steamers *Strathclyde*,
Glenlyon and *Monmouthshire*.)

THE Steamship
"BENGLOE."
Captain Thomson, will be despatched for the
above Port on or about MONDAY, the 23rd
December.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 13th November, 1895. [1677]

Mails.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY'S
ROYAL MAIL-STEAMSHIP LINE.

1895.  1895.

SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY.
THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA
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(CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND VICTORIA, B.C.)
Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse Power—Speed 19 knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
EMPRESS OF JAPAN...Comdr. G. A. Lee, R.N.R...WEDNESDAY, 25th December.
EMPRESS OF CHINA...Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R...WEDNESDAY, 22nd January, '96
EMPRESS OF INDIA...Comdr. H. Pybus, R.N.R...WEDNESDAY, 19th February, '96

THE magnificent Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF
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DAYS, making close connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL TRANS-CONTINENTAL
TRAINS OF THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY, leaving there daily, and cross the Continent
FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is
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Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return
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SPECIAL RATES (First-class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military,
Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan
Governments.

CIRCULAR PACIFIC TICKETS Hongkong to Vancouver, Vancouver to Sydney Australia,
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£100.

The attractive features of this Company's route, embraces its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS,
(second to none in the World), the LUXURANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS
(the Company having received the highest award for same at recent Chicago World's Exhibition)
and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the
Line passes.

THE DINING CARS AND MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by
the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unequalled.
For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to
D. E. BROWN, General Agent,
Pedder's Street.

Hongkong, 26th November, 1895.

OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO
JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES,
MEXICO,
CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND
EUROPE.

THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS,
AND
ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING
STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND
HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
Africa (via Amoy, Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama)..... Tuesday, 17th Dec., at Noon.
City of Rio de Janeiro (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea & Yokohama)..... Saturday, 4th January, at Noon, 1896.
City of Peking (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea & Yokohama)..... Saturday, 25th January, at Noon, 1896.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship.
"PERU"
will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via
NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA and
YOKOHAMA, on TUESDAY, the 17th Dec.,
at Noon, taking Passengers, and Freight for
Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the IN-
LAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu,
and passengers are allowed to break their
journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England,
France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines
of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the
United States or Canada. Rates may be
obtained on application.

Passengers holding ORDERS TO
EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail
Routes from San Francisco, including the
SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC,
UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO
GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAIL-
WAY on payment of £4 in addition to the
regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding ORDERS FOR OVERLAND
CITIES in the United States have, between
SAN FRANCISCO and CHICAGO, the option of
the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL
PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and
RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting
Railways, and from Chicago to destination the
choice of direct lines.

Particulars of the various routes can be
had on application.
Special rates (first class only) are granted to
Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military,
Diplomatic, and Civil Service, to European
Officials in service of China and Japan, and to
Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embark-
ing at San Francisco for China or Japan (via
Yokohama) within one year, will be allowed a dis-
count of 10 per cent. This allowance does not
apply to through fares for China and Japan
to Europe.

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to
address in full; and same will be received at
the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day
previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo des-
tined to Ports beyond San Francisco, in the
United States, should be sent to the Company's
Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs,
San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or
Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company,
No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.
Hongkong, 4th December, 1895.

NOTICE.
THE BEST PREVENTIVE OF ALL
INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

JEYES FLUID
THE BEST
DISINFECTANT

AVOID ALL RISK OF OUTBREAK BY
ITS USE.
W. G. HUMPHREYS & Co.,
Bank Buildings,
Hongkong, 4th Dec. 1895.

Mails.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ,
PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA,
ANTWERP, BREMEN AND HAMBURG.

PORTS IN THE LEVANT,
BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS:
LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON,
BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS,
GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN
PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT
SOUTHAMPTON
TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH
BILLS OF LADING FOR THE PRINCIPAL
PLACES IN RUSSIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)
Prussia..... Monday... 10th Dec.
Sachsen..... Monday... 16th Jan.
Gisa..... Monday... 13rd Feb.

ON MONDAY, the 9th day of December,
1895, at 3 P.M., the Company's Steamship
"PREUSSEN," Captain Hagemann, with
MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO,
will leave this Port at above, calling at NAPLES
and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON on
SATURDAY, the 7th Dec. Cargo and Specie
will be received on board until NOON on MONDAY
the 9th Dec., and Parcels will be received at
the Agency's Office until NOON on SUNDAY, the
8th Dec. Contents of Packages are required.
No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than
£2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet
Cubic in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation
and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.
Linen can be washed on board.
For further Particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 15th November, 1895. [1553]

**NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILROAD
STEAMSHIP AND RAILROAD
COMPANIES.**

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN.
THE attention of Passengers is directed to
the very cheap rates offered by this Line
to the PACIFIC COAST and to the INTERIOR and
EASTERN CITIES of the UNITED STATES and
CANADA and to EUROPE.

HONGKONG TO LONDON \$400.
Excellent accommodation. First-class Table,
DOCTOR and STEWARDESS carried.

HONGKONG TO NEW YORK \$350.
The Railroad travelling is second to none on
the American Continent. Magnificent Scenery
of the ROCKY and CASCADE MOUNTAINS. The
YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK route. Passen-
gers to EUROPE may proceed by one of the first
class ATLANTIC MAIL LINES.

HONGKONG TO TACOMA \$225.
Rates of Passage to other Ports on application.
Special rates allowed to members of Govern-
ment Service.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM
HONGKONG.
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)
Hankow..... 3,504 Tuesday... 11 Dec 24.
Tacoma..... 2,549 Tuesday... 1 Jan. 14.
Victoria..... 3,157 Tuesday... 1 Feb. 11.
Hankow..... 3,594 Tuesday... 1 Mar. 10.
Tacoma..... 2,549 Tuesday... 1 April 7.

THE Steamship
"HANKOW."
Captain Orr, sailing at Noon, on TUESDAY,
the 24th December, will proceed to VICTORIA,
B.C., and TACOMA, via SHANGHAI,
INLAND SEA, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan,
Pacific Coast, Panama, and to Canadian and
United States Ports.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States
Ports should be in quadruplicate; and one
copy must be sent forward by the steamer to
the care of the Freight Agent, Northern Pacific
Railroad, Tacoma, Wash.

Parcels must be sent to our Office (with a label
marked in full) by 5 P.M. on the day previous to
sailing.
For further information as to Passage or
Freight, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
General Agents,
Hongkong, 4th December, 1895.

Intimations.

MEE CHEUNG,

PHOTOGRAPHER,

TOP FLOOR OF ICE HOUSE, IN
ICE-HOUSE ROAD.

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modious Premises, to eclipse, as heretofore,
ALL PHOTOGRAPHIC ART PRACTICED
in the Colony or in any part of the Far East.

GROUPS AND VIEWS
a specialty.

Hongkong, 22nd September, 1895. [1287]

DENTISTRY.

MR. SUI SANG,

(Lately Practising with Dr. I. SARATA),

DENTIST,

No. 55, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 2nd November, 1895. [1568]

S. I. E. N. T. I. N. G.

SURGEON DENTIST,

No. 16, PAGULVAR STREET.

TERMS VERY MODERATE.

Consultation free.

Hongkong, 29th September, 1895. [1512]

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FIRST CLASS WORKMANSHIP

AND

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QUEEN'S ROAD,
(Opposite Hongkong Hotel).

CONSULTATION FREE.
Hongkong, 29th July, 1895.

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